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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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M. Keith Sharp	)	
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Serial No. 09/973,477	)	Examiner Matthew F. DeSanto
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Filing Date: October 6, 2001	)	Group Art Unit No. 3763
	)	
For: Hypodermic Needle	)	

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 16, 2004 (Paper No. 0612),  
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following remarks.

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